

PATENT APPLICATION

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 3664**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Michael P. SIOK et al.

Group Art Unit: 3664

Application No.: 10/689,984

Examiner: B. BROADHEAD

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For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR MANAGING AIRPORT OPERATIONS

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the January 15, 2008 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1, 3, 5-7, 10, 11 and 13-17 are pending in this application. The Office Action rejects claims 1, 3, 5-7, 10, 11 and 13-17 under 35 U.S.C. §§102(b) and 103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 6,278,965 to Glass et al. (hereinafter "Glass"). These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Regarding claims 1, 7, 10 and 16, the Office Action asserts that Glass teaches the features of these claims. The analysis of the Office Action fails for at least the following reasons.

Glass teaches an airport surface traffic data management system that acquires a variety of information to establish, predict and update reference data values for aircraft surface